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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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**WEATHER** A hard freeze covered the entire State on the morning of the 25th. Broken Bow reported 10 degrees. Temperature averages were slightly below normal.

The only precipitation was some light rain and snow near the Missouri River on the 24th. It was a rather windy week with moderate humidity and considerable sunshine.

**CROPS** The corn and grain sorghum harvest made good progress last week under favorable weather conditions. By Saturday, around 30 percent of the corn was harvested which was somewhat more than a year ago but about seasonally normal. Three-fifths of the grain sorghums were harvested as operations moved along rapidly in most areas.

Warm, dry weather lowered the moisture content of much of the grain and permitted harvesting without artificial drying. Corn averaged 21 percent moisture, down 2 points from a week ago and 1 point less than a year earlier. Sorghum averaged 15 percent, off 1 point from last week but 1 point above a year earlier.

Soybean harvest approached completion with 85 percent of the crop combined. Sugar beet lifting was well along and should be completed within a week or so. Beet taxes are running higher than in recent years. Combining of safflower was nearly finished. Dry bean harvest was in the clean-up stage with one of the poorest crops in many years. Quality of the crop is unusually low and some beans will go for livestock feed.

Fall seeded grains have made excellent top and root development. Some farmers are taking advantage of the lush growth by using their wheat fields for pasture. Top soil moisture is short in the Panhandle and rains are needed to sustain plant development until the crop enters the dormant stage for winter.

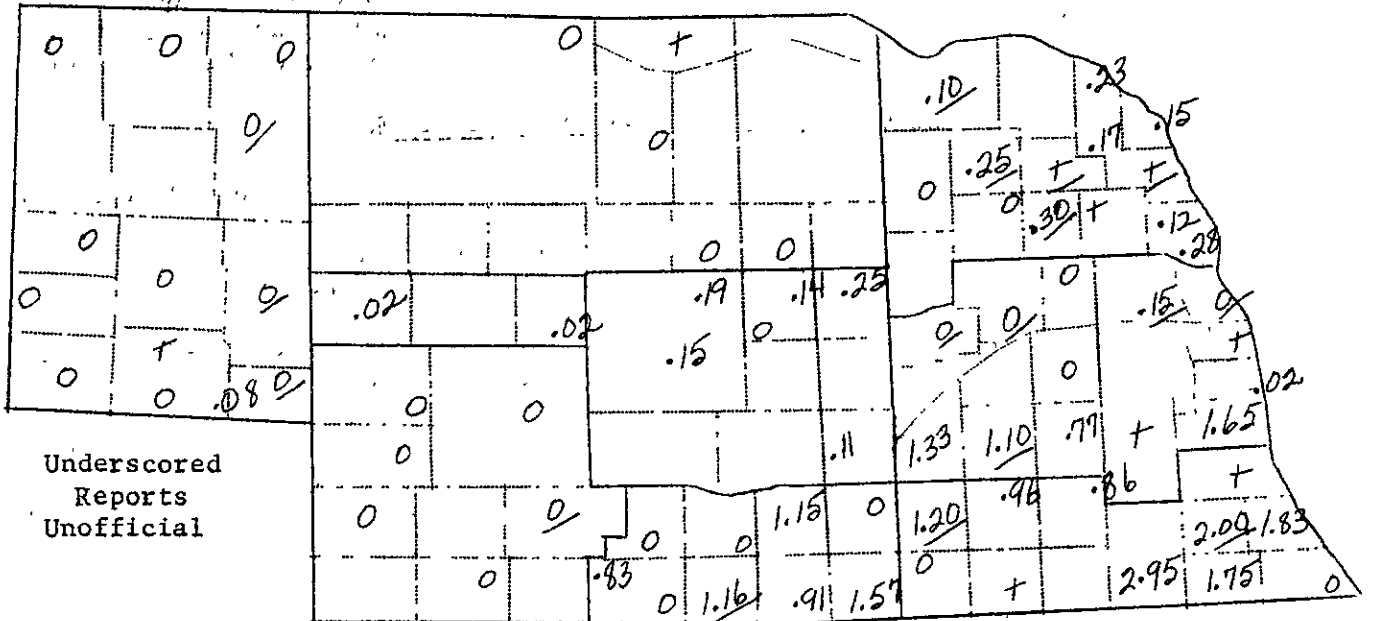
Pastures and ranges remain in unusually good condition and afford excellent grazing.

**LIVESTOCK** Movement of cattle to winter feeding quarters is nearly completed. Some livestock have been placed in stalk fields which have an abundant supply of forage. Cattle in feedlots have benefited by dry lots and have made good gains.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 29, 1962.

| East         |     | Central      |   | West        |   |
|--------------|-----|--------------|---|-------------|---|
| Grand Island | T   | Burwell      | 0 | Chadron     | 0 |
| Lincoln      | T   | North Platte | 0 | Imperial    | 0 |
| Norfolk      | 0   | Valentine    | 0 | Scottsbluff | 0 |
| Omaha        | .01 |              |   | Sidney      | 0 |
| Sioux City   | .15 |              |   |             |   |

# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 26, 1962



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

|     |              | October |    | 23rd |    | 24th |    | 25th |    | 26th |    | 27th |    | 28th |    | 29th |  |
|-----|--------------|---------|----|------|----|------|----|------|----|------|----|------|----|------|----|------|--|
|     |              | Max     |    | Min  |    | Max  |    | Min  |    | Max  |    | Min  |    | Max  |    | Min  |  |
| NW  | Chadron      | 59      | 38 | 54   | 32 | 48   | 15 | 57   | 26 | 73   | 30 | 68   | 32 | 67   | 35 |      |  |
|     | Scottsbluff  | 63      | 40 | 55   | 32 | 50   | 24 | 63   | 27 | 72   | 27 | 66   | 31 | 64   | 38 |      |  |
|     | Sidney       | 64      | 38 | 48   | 35 | 54   | 24 | 61   | 27 | 73   | 32 | 65   | 34 | 62   | 37 |      |  |
| NC  | Burwell      | 60      | 26 | 51   | 31 | 52   | 13 | 52   | 27 | 74   | 27 | 78   | 32 | 62   | -- |      |  |
|     | Valentine    | 54      | 34 | 48   | 30 | 46   | 13 | 55   | 26 | 73   | 31 | 70   | 31 | 63   | 31 |      |  |
| NE  | Norfolk      | 58      | 35 | 49   | 32 | 44   | 22 | 47   | 25 | 65   | 36 | 79   | 40 | 59   | 27 |      |  |
|     | Sioux City   | 59      | 32 | 50   | 33 | 40   | 24 | 44   | 28 | 60   | 35 | 73   | 39 | 60   | 27 |      |  |
| CEN | Grand Island | 60      | 36 | 49   | 34 | 52   | 17 | 45   | 27 | 68   | 34 | 76   | 37 | 59   | 26 |      |  |
| EC  | Lincoln      | 60      | 38 | 50   | 36 | 56   | 27 | 47   | 34 | 65   | 42 | 77   | 45 | 59   | 35 |      |  |
|     | Omaha        | 58      | 34 | 50   | 35 | 41   | 23 | 44   | 33 | 59   | 44 | 75   | 46 | 60   | 38 |      |  |
| SW  | Imperial     | 66      | 41 | 48   | 28 | 58   | 16 | 62   | 27 | 75   | 28 | 69   | 36 | 62   | 28 |      |  |
|     | North Platte | 63      | 36 | 47   | 34 | 55   | 15 | 58   | 23 | 75   | 27 | 71   | 40 | 62   | 28 |      |  |

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